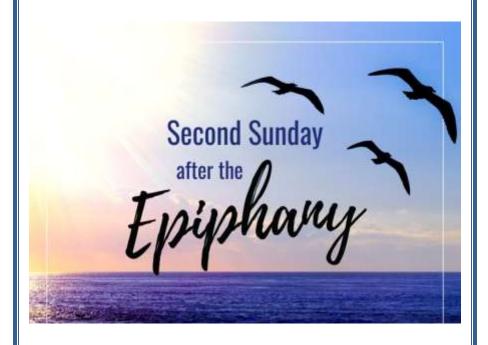
# The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

welcomes you to the celebration of

# The Holy Eucharist on

**January 14, 2024** 

7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.



# The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels The Diocese of Barbados

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# The Second Sunday after the Epiphany: YEAR B

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

**Eucharistic Minister: Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw** 

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

#### Welcome

Opening Hymn ~ 270 "Come down, O Love divine"

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity mine outward vesture be, and lowliness become mine inner clothing: true lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part, and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till he become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Words: Bianco da Siena (13??-1434), from Discendi, amor santo, Italian; translation: Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890)

# **Opening Sentence "Epiphany"**

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God chose to make known how great among the nations are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. *Colossians 1:27* 

#### THE INVOCATION

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PRESIDENT: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy

Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL: And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever.

Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL: Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

# **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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ALL: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE KYRIES

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Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One; you alone are the Lord: you alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

The Collect: "Second Sunday after the Epiphany" Page 160

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of

Christ's glory, that He may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

(Please sit)

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

**LECTORS:** 

7:00 A.M.: Ms. Alicia White

9:00 A.M.: Mrs. Margaret King-Austin

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the First Book of Samuel, the third chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to The Lord under Eli. The word of The Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then The Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie

down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that The Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now The Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God.

# **Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17** *Domine, probasti* Page 654

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me;\* you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places\* and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,\* but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before\* and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;\* it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts;\* you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvellously made;\* your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you,\* while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book;\* they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God!\* how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;\* to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

**LECTORS:** 

7:00 A.M.: Ms. Deidre Cox 9:00 A.M.: Ms. Sandra Fields

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, the sixth chapter, beginning at the twelfth verse. "All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that vour bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God.

The Gradual **Hymn ~ 108** "The people that in darkness sat"

The people that in darkness sat a glorious light have seen; the light has shined on them who long in shades of death have been. To hail thee, Sun of righteousness, the gathering nations come; they joy as when the reapers bear their harvest treasures home.

For thou their burden dost remove, and break the tyrant's rod, as in the day when Midian fell before the sword of God.

For unto us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and on his shoulder ever rests all power in earth and heaven.

His name shall be the Prince of Peace, the everlasting Lord, the Wonderful, the Counsellor, the God by all adored.

His righteous government and power shall over all extend; on judgement and on justice based, his reign shall have no end.

Lord Jesus, reign is us, we pray, and make us thine alone, who with the Father ever art and Holy Spirit One.

Words: John Morrison (1749-1798)

The Holy Gospel: John 1:43-51

#### **GOSPELLERS:**

7:00 A.M.: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson 9:00 A.M.: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John, the first chapter, beginning at the forty-third verse.

# **ALL:** Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

THE GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

**ALL:** Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

(Please stand, as able)

#### The Nicene Creed

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen or unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation

He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit

He was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered, died and was buried. On the third day He rose again in fulfilment of the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right
hand of the Father
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and His kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
He is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. **Amen** 

#### **INTERCESSION FORM "H"**

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## **INTERCESSORS:**

7:00 A.M. ~ Prof. Anne St. John, CGM 9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. John Moore

# The Bidding Prayer: The Assistant Priest

(Please kneel)

Lord, we pray for your Church. Strengthen us in the freedom and power of our baptism, that we may bring your light to our world.

We pray for...

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy, **ALL: Hear our prayer.** 

LEADER: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. (*Silence*)

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy, **ALL:** Hear our prayer.

LEADER: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good. (*Silence*)

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy, **ALL:** Hear our prayer.

LEADER: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honour and glory.

(Silence)

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy, **ALL: Hear our prayer**.

LEADER: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours.

especially, Joan and Maureen, as they celebrate their birthday: and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as He loves us.

(Silence)

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy, **ALL: Hear our prayer**.

LEADER: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. (*Silence*)

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy, **ALL:** Hear our prayer.

LEADER: We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Mrs. Elmondessa Bridgeman and all whose anniversary of death falls at this time. We rejoice that they are now full inheritors of your promises and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. (*Silence*)

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy, **ALL: Hear our prayer.** 

#### THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

PRESIDENT: Lord of all, you are present in each moment and make that presence known in the silence of prayer. Help us to commit ourselves afresh to seeking you in contemplation, help us to know your love in our moments of reflection and help us, amid all the noise and busyness of the world, to know your call on our lives and to follow it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### **ACT OF PENITENCE**

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PRESIDENT: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8, 9) (A period of silence shall be kept).

PRESIDENT: Let us therefore confess our sins.

#### FORM A

ALL: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant

that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

#### THE ABSOLUTION

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PRESIDENT: Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

(Please stand as able)

# **THE GREETING OF THE PEACE "C"** Page 125

#### PRESIDENT:

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

#### **ALL:**

They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others.

#### PRESIDENT:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

# HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP: "Let there be peace on earth"

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God our Creator
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

(During the singing of this hymn, an offering will be collected. The Ushers will begin their collection from the west end of the Cathedral and move towards the altar, where the offering will be received by a server. The cooperation of everyone is requested.)

# Offertory Hymn ~ 241 "Thou, whose almighty word"

Thou, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight; hear us, we humbly pray, and where the Gospel-day sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.

Thou, who didst come to bring on thy redeeming wing healing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the inly blind, O now to all mankind let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy Dove, speed forth thy flight; move on the water's face, bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light.

Holy and blessèd Three, glorious Trinity, Wisdom, Love, Might; boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride, through the earth far and wide, let there be light.

Words: John Marriott (1780-1875

#### PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you. **ALL:** And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

**ALL:** We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **ALL:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

# **PROPER PREFACE ~ "Epiphany"**

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Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Because in coming to dwell among us as man, He revealed the radiance of His glory,

and brought us out of darkness into His own marvellous light. (Go to page 131)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### **ALL:**

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might;
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

(Please sit or kneel)

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING "A"

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All Holy and glorious Father, our Creator God, we give you thanks because in your loving wisdom you brought all things into being, and are truly worthy of praise from every creature you have made.

Again and again we have turned away from you; yet in every age your steadfast love has called us to return, to live in union with you: for it is your eternal purpose to put new life into all things and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ who took our human nature upon Him you have redeemed the world from the bondage of sin: and by the power of your Holy Spirit you have gathered a people to yourself, to make known in every place His perfect offering which He made to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; And grant that these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And after supper He took the cup of wine: and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the New Covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.

PRESIDENT: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

#### **ALL:**

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### PRESIDENT:

And so, Heavenly Father, rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation; His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice made once for all upon the Cross; His Mighty Resurrection from the dead; His Glorious Ascension into heaven; and looking for His Coming in glory; we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood, of your Son, our great High Priest, may be renewed by your Holy Spirit, and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us.
Unite us with all Bishops,
all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments,
and with the whole people of God,
living and departed,
whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness, that we may be found ready to join the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, and all your saints, when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again: Forever giving you thanks and praise through Him from whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL: Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. *Amen*.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

#### **ALL:**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name; your kingdom come; your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

# **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD "C"** Page 145

#### PRESIDENT:

This is the true bread which comes from heaven

#### **ALL:**

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

#### THE COMMUNION

(All baptized members of the Church, as inspired, may come to the alter and receive Holy Communion)

#### The Invitation "C"

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#### PRESIDENT:

Draw near and receive the Body and Blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

#### **ALL:**

We do not presume to come to this your table, most merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the Lord ever the same, ever merciful. Grant therefore, Lord of grace and love, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. *Amen*.

#### THE AGNUS DEI

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.



# The Administration of Communion/Spiritual Communion

Communion **Hymn ~ 416** "I, the Lord of sea and sky,"

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

# Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them, they turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone, I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? **Refrain:** 

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them, my hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied, I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain:* 

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# **THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER "C"** Page 148

ALL: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### THE BLESSING "Epiphany"

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Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with good news of His kingdom; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen*.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recessional **Hymn ~ 358** "Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,"

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name; the name all-victorious of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious, he rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save; and still he is nigh: his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King. Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right: all glory and power, all wisdom and might, all honour and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

#### THE DISMISSAL

THE PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

ALL: And also with you.

THE PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen

**Organ Postlude** (Worshippers are invited to sit silently and listen to the voluntary, but those who wish to leave at this point may do so quietly.)

Thank you most sincerely for worshipping at the Cathedral this morning.

# THEME FOR THE WEEK

The "day" of our conversion to the Lord is hidden from us.



First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Comment: "The calling of Samuel"

In our opening lesson, we hear how **Samuel learns that it is the Lord who is calling to him.** Three times the boy Samuel misunderstands and thinks that it is his mentor Eli summoning him during the night. Finally Eli realizes it must be the Lord, and tells Samuel to be ready for the prophetic word that will be spoken to him.

Psalm: 139:1-5, 12-17

With marvellous wisdom God alone perceives the heights and depths of life.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20** 

Comment: "Glorify God in your body"

In this lesson, Paul is required to criticize a misguided understanding of Christian freedom that has been adopted by some of the Corinthians. "All things are permitted me," is what some are saying, and evidently then interpreting their freedom in Christ to mean they are so spiritual" they can join with a prostitute without doing harm. But our bodies, Paul contends, like all the rest of us, have now been dedicated to Christ. They are temples of the Holy Spirit through which we may glorify God.

# The Holy Gospel: John 1:43-51

Comment: "The calling of the first disciples"

In our gospel is the story of Philip and Nathaniel becoming disciples of Jesus. Nathaniel first doubts that the one whom Moses foretold could come from the virtually unknown town of Nazareth. But Jesus astounds Nathaniel by telling him what normal sight could not have disclosed. He then promises Nathaniel that he will have his own still greater vision, a heavenly revelation of the Son of man as an intermediary between heaven and earth.

# **CATHEDRAL NEWS**

BICENTENNIAL GIFT: As the Anglican Church in Barbados prepares to celebrate its 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024, so too will the St. Michael Parish Church celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its designation as the Cathedral of the Diocese. Gifts in celebration of this significant milestone would be greatly appreciated. Envelopes are available for everyone's convenience. Thanks for your generous gift.

SICK: Please remember the sick and injured of our parish and wider community, especially Margaret Browne, Elsie Brunson, Colleen Byer, Courtney Carrington, Darwin Clarke, Alice P. Hall, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Jeffrey Mascoll, Marlene Moore, Blair Murray, Clyde Outram, Veronica Sandals (USA), Sylvester "Blues" Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Phyllis

Springer, Winifred Trotman, Ernesta Yarde and George Yearwood.

**BEREAVEMENT**: We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late:

- Mr. Henderson Downes
- Mr. Roland McCollin
- The Most Rev'd The Hon. Orland Lindsay, Retired Bishop of the North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba and Retired Archbishop of the Church in the Province of the West Indies.

May the deceased rest in peace. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." (Matthew 5:4)

**BIRTHDAYS:** Congratulations to all those celebrating their birthday this week: January 14-20, 2024:

- 15<sup>th</sup> Ms. Heather R. Browne, Mr. Ajani Yarde
- 16<sup>th</sup> Ms. Marlene D. Russell
- 19<sup>th</sup> Ms. Elsie A. Beckles
- 20<sup>th</sup> Mr. Jeffrey DaC. Grant



**STEWARDSHIP:** The envelopes for 2024 are available for collection after services or from the Church Office, Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Members are invited to present their "Initial Offering" on Sunday,

January 28, 2024. This symbolic "first offering" serves to defray the cost of the envelopes, which this year amounted to \$3,507.04. Thanks for your generous contribution.

**BAPTISM**: Please note that Baptism will take place on Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 after service at 11:30 a.m. Application forms may be collected from the Church Office, Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**CANCELLATION:** We regret to inform you of the cancellation of the Epiphany Carol Service, which was scheduled for January 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:00 p.m., due to unforseen circumstance beyound our control.

# **SERMON NOTES**

Text:
Topic:
Preacher:Points to Ponder:
What was God saying specifically to me during the Sermon?

Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings January 14-20, 2024				
Day	Morning Readings	<b>Evening Readings</b>		
The Second	Psalms 148, 149, 150	Psalms 114, 115		
Sunday after	Genesis 7:1-10, 17-23	Isaiah 43:14—44:5		
Epiphany	Mark 3:7-19	Ephesians 4:1-16		
	Psalm 25	Psalms 9, 15		
Monday	Genesis 8:6-22	Isaiah 44:6-8, 21-23		
	John 2:23—3:15	Hebrews 4:14—5:6		
	Psalms 26, 28	Psalms 36, 39		
Tuesday	Genesis 9:1-17	Isaiah 44:9-20		
	John 3:16-21	Hebrews 5:7-14		
Wednesday	Psalm 38	Psalm 119:25-48		
	Genesis 9:18-29	Isaiah 44:24—45:7		
	John 3:22-36	Hebrews 6:1-12		
The	Psalms 66, 67	Psalm 118		
Confession	Ezekiel 3:4-11	Ezekiel 34:11-16		
of Saint Peter	Act 10:34-44	John 21:15-22		
the Apostle				
Thursday				
Friday	Psalm 31	Psalm 35		
	Genesis 11:27—12:8	Isaiah 45:18-25		
	John 4:16-26	Hebrews 7:1-17		
		Psalms 42, 43		
Cotundor	Psalms 30, 32	Isaiah 46:1-13		
Saturday	Genesis 12:9—13:1	Hebrews 7:18-28		
	John 4:27-42	Collect for 3 Epiphany		

# Activity on Philip and Nathaniel becoming disciples of Jesus. (John 1:43-51)

		and told him, "We have found	
		and about whom the	also
	wrote—Jesus of Nazaret	h, the son of Joseph."	
	"Nazareth! Can anything	come from the	re?" Nathanael asked.
	" and	," said Philip.	
	When Jesus saw	approaching, he s	aid of him, "Here is a
	true Israelite, in whom th	nere is nothing false."	
	"How do you	me?" Nathanael asked.	
	Jesus answered, "I	you while you were	still under the fig
	before Phili	p called you."	
	Then Nathanael declare	ed, "Rabbi, you are the	of
	you are the King of		
Use the	se words to fill in t	he blanks.	
God			
good Isr	ael		
know			
	lathanael		
prophet saw see	5		
Son			

Son tree

#### **CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES**

Sunday, January 14, 2024 7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson



Wednesday, January 17, 2024 10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist President and Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson



Sunday, January 21, 2024 7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist



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